# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA, HELD THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2014

The Honorable Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, met in regular session on Thursday, November 6, 2014, at 6 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, there being present:

President: Russell

Councilpersons: Showers, Robinson, Culver, Kling

Mayor: Battle

City Administrator: Hamilton

Deputy City Attorney: Cates

City Clerk-Treasurer: Hagood

President Russell called the meeting to order.

Mr. Blake Kirk led the invocation; Councilman Culver led the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council on October 23, 2014; minutes of the Organization Meeting of the Council on November 3, 2014; and minutes of a Special Session of the Council on November 3, 2014, were approved as submitted.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Resolutions and Special Recognitions.

President Russell recognized Mayor Battle.

Mayor Battle asked Joy McKee to come forward, noting that she had a special project that was being undertaken.

Ms. McKee stated that they were very excited about the

project, noting that in the United States 100 billion plastic shopping bags were produced each year, using 12 million barrels of oil. She continued that much of the time these bags were thrown away. She stated that as Operation Green Team Director, she was proud to say they had found another use for these bags. She stated that this was something that would be great for the homeless community.

Ms. McKee stated that this project was mats, made totally out of plastic bags. She displayed one of the mats and stated that they were challenging the community to actually make some of these mats. She continued that these would be distributed to the homeless advocacy groups. She stated that it took approximately 500 plastic bags to make the mat she was displaying. She stated that persons had been bringing the bags to Operation Green Team for the last year, and that they were ready to share these bags with anyone who would make one of these mats and did not have their own bags. She stated that there were also tutorials they could watch, and that they also had a great teacher.

Ms. McKee introduced Ms. Karen Voelker. She stated that Ms. Voelker would do a quick demonstration on how to make these mats. She stated that Ms. Kay Tidwell had done the mat she was displaying, noting that she worked at The Greenery and was very proud to do this.

Ms. McKee stated that they wanted to make 500 such mats for the homeless, noting that it would be a barrier for them,

that they would not be right on the ground, that it would be insulation. She asked that persons who knew how to crochet and were willing to make such mats contact Operation Green Team at 532-5326, and they would get them set up with the bags.

Ms. Voelker displayed the mat she had made and explained the method of making such mats. She stated that the mat that Ms. McKee was displaying was a little more colorful than hers but noted that hers had a lot of love in it. She stated that the mat was very fluffy, so that when one was lying on the ground, one would have some insulation and some padding, and that it just made life better. She stated that one could roll it up, put the string around it, and put it over their shoulder. She stated that her mat had taken approximately 700 bags to make.

President Russell stated that items 15.z and 15.aa had been deleted from the agenda.

President Russell welcomed Councilwoman Jennie Robinson to her first formal meeting of the Council, noting that they were glad to have her.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Public Hearings to be Set.

Councilman Kling read and introduced a resolution to set a public hearing on an ordinance amending the approved

Development Plan for Providence Planned Development, LUI Rating
56, to add to the permitted uses in various transects, at the

December 18, 2014, Regular Council Meeting, as follows:

## (RESOLUTION NO. 14-858)

Councilman Kling moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Culver and was unanimously adopted.

Councilman Kling read and introduced Ordinance No. 14-859, amending the approved Development Plan for Providence Planned Development, LUI Rating 56, to add to the permitted uses in various transects.

Councilman Culver read and introduced a resolution to set a public hearing on an ordinance rezoning property lying west of U.S. Highway 231 South and north of Green Cove Road from Light Industry District to Residence 2-B District (43.42 acres) and from Residence 1-B District to Residence 2-B District (25.62 acres), at the December 18, 2014, Regular Council Meeting, as follows:

#### (RESOLUTION NO. 14-860)

Councilman Culver moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilwoman Robinson and was unanimously adopted.

Councilman Culver read and introduced Ordinance
No. 14-861, rezoning property lying west of U.S. Highway 231
South and north of Green Cove Road from Light Industry District
to Residence 2-B District (43.42 acres) and from Residence 1-B
District to Residence 2-B District (25.62 acres).

Councilwoman Robinson read and introduced a resolution to set a public hearing on an ordinance rezoning property lying on

the north side of Old Highway 431 and west of Mill Run Road from Residence 1-A District to Neighborhood Business C-1 District, at the December 18, 2014, Regular Council Meeting, as follows:

## (RESOLUTION NO. 14-862)

Councilwoman Robinson moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Culver and was unanimously adopted.

Councilwoman Robinson read and introduced Ordinance
No. 14-863, rezoning property lying on the north side of Old
Highway 431 and west of Mill Run Road from Residence 1-A
District to Neighborhood Business C-1 District.

Councilman Culver read and introduced a resolution to set a public hearing on an ordinance rezoning property lying on the south side of U.S. Highway 72 and on the east side of Moores Mill Road from Neighborhood Business C-1 District to Highway Business C-4 District, at the December 18, 2014, Regular Council Meeting, as follows:

## (RESOLUTION NO. 14-864)

Councilman Culver moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilwoman Robinson and was unanimously adopted.

Councilman Culver read and introduced Ordinance
No. 14-865, rezoning property lying on the south side of U.S.
Highway 72 and on the east side of Moores Mill Road from
Neighborhood Business C-1 District to Highway Business

C-4 District.

Councilman Kling read and introduced a resolution to set a public hearing on an ordinance zoning newly annexed property lying on the east and west sides of Mooresville Road and on the north side of Huntsville Brownsferry Road as Highway Business C-4 District, at the December 18, 2014, Regular Council Meeting, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-866)

Councilman Kling moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilwoman Robinson and was unanimously adopted.

Councilman Kling read and introduced Ordinance No. 14-867, zoning newly annexed property lying on the east and west sides of Mooresville Road and on the north side of Huntsville Brownsferry Road as Highway Business C-4 District.

Councilwoman Robinson read and introduced a resolution to set a public hearing on an ordinance zoning newly annexed property lying on the south side of Parsons Road and east of Hobbs Island Road as Residence 1 District, at the December 18, 2014, Regular Council Meeting, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-868)

Councilwoman Robinson moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Culver and was unanimously adopted.

Councilwoman Robinson read and introduced Ordinance
No. 14-869, zoning newly annexed property lying on the south

side of Parsons Road and east of Hobbs Island Road as Residence 1 District.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Communications from the Public. He stated that when persons' names were called, they should go to the microphone, give their name and address, and that they could speak to the Council for three minutes on any subject they so desired.

Pastor T.C. Johnson, 1800 Sparkman Drive, appeared before the Council, stating that he had asked the City Attorney about Huntsville Utilities over the years, and that he had finally gone to the law, as the City Attorney had advised him to do, and had discovered that the Board that was appointed was solely responsible for running Huntsville Utilities, and they delegated that authority to the CEO, who he noted was at this time Mr. Jay Stowe.

Pastor Johnson stated that he had asked for information from February of the current year, and that later on, in August, he had asked for it again, and he had gotten most of that information. He stated that what he had asked of them was the same information he had asked of the City. He stated that Mr. Stowe refused to give him the individual ZIP Codes, based upon whatever, and the education level. He stated that they said they did not have that compiled, and that he was going to have to believe that. He continued that, however, it was difficult to understand how a company could employ by educational level, promote by educational level, use that for

qualification for the job, and not have that information available. He stated that there were allegations that there were people that certain standards were required for employment, as opposed to others.

Pastor Johnson stated that that was just one thing. He continued that the question he had was if he could not get the information directly from the Board, if he could request it through the Council, to get that particular information.

Pastor Johnson stated that when he was looking into this matter, he had discovered that Mr. Pippin had fired some people based on scrapping metal, which he noted had been going on there for a long time, noting that supervisors who had come through and gone up had done the same thing. He continued that they would take scrap metal and sell it at the scrap yard, and then share the money with the team that would get that particular money. He stated that that was the culture. He stated that Mr. Pippin had fired three persons at one point, and another gentleman had retired. He stated that later on, when Mr. Pippin had discovered that those two persons were black, a white gentleman had been fired just to keep down the discrimination complaints.

Pastor Johnson stated that when one looked at this whole situation, it was something that was cultural, according to a report done by Rex Reynolds, that it was cultural and the thing to do was to create the correct policies and go forward. He reiterated that Mr. Pippin had fired these persons.

Pastor Johnson stated that showing that something was wrong, Mr. Stowe had rehired these persons. He continued that, however, he had hired them at a lower level, indicating that it was okay to deny that some of them had worked for Huntsville Utilities for 20 years and had experience.

Pastor Johnson stated that he would like for Mayor Battle and the Council to look into this because from his perspective, no one should have been a scapegoat in this matter. He stated that one young man had been fired even though his supervisor had given him the material, and he had sold the material and brought the money back and shared it with the team. He continued that he was fired, but the supervisor was still on the job. He stated that there was something not right about this situation.

Pastor Johnson stated that this was a public utility, not a private utility, and that he was sure if he went into the many details he had concerning this, the public would not appreciate how it was handled.

Pastor Johnson stated that he was asking at this level to seek some satisfaction in this case, and that he would not stop.

Pastor Johnson stated that persons had also been told that they would save money by putting out the meter readers. He stated that he would like to know, from Mayor Battle and the Council, how much money had been saved based upon paying someone else to read the meters.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Board Appointments to be Voted on.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution to appoint Susan Griffin to the Huntsville Tennis Center Board of Control, Place No. 3, for a term to expire November 28, 2017, as follows:

#### (RESOLUTION NO. 14-870)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Board Appointment Nominations.

President Russell nominated Susan J. Phelan for reappointment to the Huntsville Ice Skating Complex Board of Control, for a term to expire November 20, 2016.

Councilman Kling nominated Patricia Moriarty for appointment to the Madison County Department of Human Resources Board, Place 7, for a term to expire August 27, 2015.

Councilman Showers nominated Dr. Ollye Conley for appointment to the Historical Preservation Authority, for a term to expire June 3, 2020.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Approval of Expenditures.

Councilman Kling read and introduced a resolution authorizing expenditures for payment, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-871)

Councilman Kling moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Culver and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was the Finance Committee Report.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution approving travel for Councilman Richard Showers, Sr., to attend the National League of Cities & Exposition (NLC), to be held in Austin, Texas, November 18-22, 2014, as follows:

(resolution NO. 14-872)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Kling and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution approving travel for Councilwoman Jennie Robinson to attend the National League of Cities & Exposition (NLC), to be held in Austin, Texas, November 18-22, 2014, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-873)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Kling and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Communications from the Mayor.

President Russell recognized Mayor Battle.

Mayor Battle stated that he would like to congratulate Ms. McKee and her crew that were out planting trees on the

prior Saturday, noting that they had planted 140 trees at John Hunt Park, and they had had 10,000 trees to give away. He continued that there might be some trees left for persons who would like to have one. He stated that this was a great event to start getting people involved with John Hunt Park, to be part of the John Hunt Park renovation. He stated that as everyone contributed to this, they became part of the process, part of the park. He continued that many young people had planted trees at the park.

Mayor Battle stated that Veterans Day activities were coming up, noting that the parade would be on the following Tuesday and that they would be riding in the City's 1928 fire truck. He urged persons to attend the parade.

Mayor Battle stated that the GEO-Energy Huntsville Summit would be coming up the following week, starting on Wednesday. He stated that there would be some great speakers coming in, that the head of the National Geospatial Agency would be at the event.

Mayor Battle stated that he would like to say thank you to John Malone, Abby Kay, and all the crew at 96.9 Lite-WRSA, noting that they had saved Christmas, that they would be sponsoring the Christmas Parade, which he noted would be held the first Saturday in December. He stated that this parade would be in the downtown area and that the parade tied in to Tinsel Trail and to the ice skating rink, Santa's Village, and all the activities happening at the Botanical Garden. He

stated that this would make it a great season. He stated that another agency, WAAY-TV, had sponsored this all-volunteer Christmas parade for years and years and had done a great job with it, which was certainly appreciated. He stated that this year WAAY-TV had felt it was time to pass the baton, and that the City was very fortunate that 96.9 Lite-WRSA had picked it up, and there would be a Christmas parade.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Communications from Council Members.

Councilman Culver stated that he also wanted to welcome Councilwoman Robinson to the Council, noting that he was looking forward to working with her in this capacity.

Councilman Culver stated that he certainly enjoyed riding in the fire truck in the Veterans Day parade, but that, more importantly, he was excited about the whole purpose of the parade, honoring and recognizing the veterans, the men and women who had made, in some cases, the ultimate sacrifice for all the freedoms and things that persons enjoyed, and sometimes that were taken for granted. He stated that his hat was off to all the veterans for what they had done, what they were doing, and what they were going to do.

Councilman Culver stated that he believed he had an engagement on the following Saturday at Sherwood Park. He continued that he was surprised every time he went there to see the trees they had planted some three or four years previously still surviving. He stated that he was always excited and

looking forward to coming out and cleaning up the community. He stated to Ms. McKee that she certainly did a good job with this, and that what she did was certainly appreciated. He stated that any time there was something going on in District 5 concerning cleaning up, she could be assured he would be there.

Councilman Culver stated that he would like to give a shout-out to the inmate labor supervisors, as well as the inmates, who volunteered to keep the roadways clean, and at times cleaning out the ditches. He stated that Huntsville was a beautiful city and they wanted to keep it that way, and he did not know of a better way to do this than to utilize this labor, noting that this was an opportunity for these persons to actually come out of the jail cells and hit the streets and breathe the fresh air and take in some sunshine while cleaning up the roadways. He thanked them for this.

Councilman Kling stated that recently retired Lt.Col.

Victor Robert Burlingame, II, of the U.S. Marine Corps, of

Huntsville, had passed away. He stated that he was a friend of

his and was with the American Legion Post 237. He stated that

he was a heavily decorated Viet Nam veteran, that he had served

five tours in Viet Nam, and had received two Silver Stars, four

Bronze Stars, five Purple Hearts, and numerous other medals.

He stated that he was the type of man that Hollywood tried to

make movies about, that he was the real McCoy and a good friend

who was involved with him in the district in Southwest

Huntsville for numerous years. He stated that he had a great

life, that he loved people and people loved him, and that he would be greatly missed. He stated that he just wanted to recognize him for what he meant to the community and to his district.

Councilman Kling stated that on the prior Monday evening, he had attended a meeting with the Holiday Homes Neighborhood Association. He stated that they had asked him to ask if someone could talk to them about the upcoming park plans for Merrimack, and also Seminole. He stated that he believed Mr. Hamilton would be the person that might could handle this. He stated that he had told them there were some studies, et cetera, that were in the works. He stated that the next meeting would perhaps be a good meeting to attend since they would be having their Christmas cookies. He stated that that would be on the first Monday of the month, and that he would provide Mr. Hamilton some more details concerning this.

Councilman Kling stated to Ms. McKee that he had been contacted by some residents along Coffee Drive concerning the ditch between Coffee Drive and Toftoy Drive. He stated that he believed Ms. McKee was familiar with this situation and that she would check, and that if it was within her jurisdiction, she would take care of it, or if not, she would make sure that Public Works was informed about it.

Ms. McKee stated that that was correct.

Councilman Kling welcomed Councilwoman Robinson to the Council, stating that he was glad to have another former

School Board member serving on the Council.

Councilman Showers stated that he was delighted to be sitting next to two ex-School Board members, Councilman Kling and, of course, Councilwoman Robinson.

Councilman Showers asked that all A&M Bulldog supporters put on their calendars Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Louis Crews Stadium, noting that if they won the game on Saturday, they would be in the SWAC playoff. He stated that A&M would be playing Alcorn State, and that they were looking forward to this game, and, certainly, winning the game.

Councilman Showers stated that on the following evening, he would be at the Ernest Knight Center at Alabama A&M for the Lakewood Signature Harvest Banquet. He stated that he would at that time be making a presentation on behalf of the Mayor and the Council.

Councilman Showers stated that on November 14th, he would be attending a Fellowship of Love Banquet, and that he would be making a presentation on behalf of the Mayor and the Council.

Councilman Showers stated that on November 15th, there would be a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Adams Barber Shop, and that he would be making a presentation on behalf of the Mayor and the Council.

Councilman Showers stated that also on November 15th would be the Annual Fun-Set Social and Charity Club event, and that he would again be making a presentation on behalf of the Mayor and the Council.

Councilman Showers asked if Ms. McKee and Mr. Hatfield were still in attendance at the meeting. He stated that he wanted everyone to know that on the prior Saturday, which he noted was one of the coldest Saturdays in 2014, Ms. McKee and Mr. Hatfield had had their crews out at the Lincoya Estates Association Annual Saturday Cleanup, and that persons would be surprised at the number of persons that were out there. He thanked Ms. McKee and Mr. Hatfield for all the workers they had had out at this event, and all the equipment that was on the streets. He stated that also there was coffee, hot chocolate, doughnuts, and prizes, and that it had certainly been a good morning of cleanup in that neighborhood. He thanked them for what they did in terms of making the communities better places in which to live.

Councilman Showers stated that he had a few words to say pertaining to his interest and concern about towing contracts for the City of Huntsville. He stated that later in the meeting he would ask the Council to hold the item on the agenda pertaining to this until a future session of the Council.

Councilman Showers asked if Chief Morris was present in the meeting, and he was advised that he was present. He thanked Chief Morris for responding to the inquiry he had made. He stated that the Council had received the response, and he wanted to thank him for how he had gotten almost all the information that had been requested. He stated that, however, there had been one item missing. He stated that in all the bid

contracts, the City asked for insurance validation and for workers' compensation. He stated that he would like copies from the three contractors, to show that they had insurance and to show they had workers' compensation. He stated that after he received this information, he would be ready to go ahead and move on this item. He stated that he was not fighting anything about who the other bid persons were, it was just that he wanted this information. He reiterated that he would like to have this information on each of the three bidders, that they did have that information for the record. He stated that he wanted copies of this for the Council, so they could see that all three companies had this information as outlined in the document.

Councilman Showers stated that, as many persons were aware, Reliable Towing was a minority contractor located in his district. He continued that this company was presided over by Mr. W.D. Strong and was the only African American-owned towing contractor in the city and was also the largest towing contractor in the city of Huntsville and surrounding areas. He stated that the City's record of awarding contracts to African American businesses was dismal, to say the least, noting that this should be unacceptable.

Councilman Showers stated that the City awarded millions of dollars of contracts to contractors, and that they went out of their way to justify many of these contractors when they could have gone with a lower bid. He stated that these were

justified with things such as experience, facilities, equipment, and other qualifications in order that they might provide the City with quality and dependable vendors.

Councilman Showers stated that he had voted in the affirmative for all these contracts in order to be a good steward over the City's finances and provide the citizens with a better quality of life. He stated that at this time he would be remiss if he did not voice his concerns over the issue pertaining to Reliable Towing.

Councilman Showers stated that he had spoken with Mr. Strong at length as to how the City was treating him as a contractor. He stated that Mr. Strong's overall assessment had been good, that he had stated that the City employees at the Johnson Road site, specifically Johnnie Gurley, Nathan Briggs, and a Public Transit employee, Roger Garrison, had worked and communicated with him very well on a daily basis, that they had always been courteous and professional, and that he truly appreciated working with them. He continued that, yet, Mr. Strong had concern as to the requirements he had been asked to consider and to do which had not been put on the previous contractors. He stated that Mr. Strong had, however, stated to him that he had performed all the requirements in order to show the City that his company was capable of handling the contract with professionalism and reliability. He stated that he had felt that regardless of how he had performed, the City would write new specs, to allow unqualified companies and companies

outside the city limits to qualify, to limit his ability to retain the contract at reasonable rates while performing the requirements.

Councilman Showers stated that it appeared that what had happened was what Mr. Strong had stated. He stated that as the Administration and his fellow Council members were aware, he had had many conversations with companies located outside his district that had come to him to champion their cause, and that he had done this without being accused of being partial. He stated that although he served all the citizens of Huntsville, he was elected to represent the citizens of District 1, and that he would listen to them and fight for them to be heard and included as a part of the city.

Councilman Showers stated that, in closing, he wanted to say that they needed to be more sensitive and inclusive of African American businesses, women-owned businesses, and other minority businesses in their contracting opportunities. He stated that he was hopeful that the sense of mistrust that he had seen in some of the department heads could be replaced by a sense of optimism and trust. He stated that his sense of optimism and trust could be greatly enhanced when he began to witness sensitivity by all the departments toward the employees and their rights, the citizens, and the businesses, which he noted was needed in order for them to work together for the future of this great city.

Councilwoman Robinson stated that it was indeed an honor

to be serving on the Council and thanked everyone who had extended such a warm welcome to her. She stated that she was certainly excited about the next four years.

Councilwoman Robinson stated that she and Mr. Hamilton had had the opportunity earlier in the day to celebrate

Veterans Day early at Whitesburg School, where they had honored Gen. Dennis Via and other veterans. She stated that

Gen. Via had been the guest speaker, and that the students had also done a remarkable job speaking and celebrating in honor of the veterans. She stated that this was a great way to begin the Veterans Day celebration, noting that, as Gen. Via had stated, in Huntsville they did not do just one day, they did an entire week.

Councilwoman Robinson thanked the City department heads who had been meeting with her, noting that they had been very generous with their time. She continued that she had learned more about roads, ditches, and garbage than she probably ever wanted to know. She stated that, however, it had been very handy information, because she had also been meeting with various neighborhood groups, and that in such meetings she had shared what she had learned. She stated that probably the most important thing she had shared with them was the Huntsville Connect App, noting that she had just run copies of the web pages describing how this worked and shared it with her constituents. She stated that she had already received an email that said the person had used it and it worked. She

expressed appreciation to those persons who were responding to everything that was coming through that app, noting that it was a tremendous resource for the citizens.

Councilwoman Robinson stated that she was looking forward to attending the National League of Cities Congress the week of November 17, and that she looked forward to having some time with Councilman Showers at this event. She stated that, unfortunately, this was the same week as a City Council meeting, so that she and Councilman Showers would not be in attendance at that meeting but she felt sure they would return much smarter.

Councilman Culver stated that he would also like to comment on the Reliable Towing matter. He noted that three years prior, he was Chair of the Finance Committee and was at the helm of that. He stated that Reliable Towing was an impeccable company, noting that he had had the opportunity to tour their facility. He continued that the entity was located on several acres, that the property was enclosed, fenced in with barbed wire around the top, so that when they towed a vehicle, it would definitely be secure and safe. He stated that they had all the necessary equipment to handle whatever big load or small load the City might have.

Councilman Culver stated that during that particular time when that contract had been awarded, he believed the competitors had not been remotely close in terms of being able to handle the City's needs. He continued that he was impressed

with Mr. Strong and stated that it was very appropriate that the City continue to include businesses such as Mr. Strong's, as well as other minority-owned businesses, in all of the City's endeavors, because the monies that were used were taxpayers' monies, and that everyone who lived in the city paid these taxes. He stated that Reliable Towing had done a good job and thanked them for this.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Unfinished Business Items for Action.

President Russell moved for approval of Resolution

No. 14-851, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement

with the low bidders meeting specifications as outlined in the

attached Summary of Bids for Acceptance, which resolution was

introduced and postponed at the October 23, 2014, Regular

Council Meeting, as follows:

#### (RESOLUTION NO. 14-851)

Said motion was duly seconded by Councilwoman Robinson.

Councilman Showers asked that the Council members provide him the opportunity to obtain the information he had mentioned earlier, to validate that all three vendors that were listed had the appropriate insurance and had workmen's compensation.

Councilman Showers moved to postpone consideration of Resolution No. 14-851 until the next Regular Council Meeting, on November 20, 2014, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Culver.

Mr. Randy Taylor stated that there was an item included in

this resolution that had accidentally gotten postponed from the prior meeting of the Council, and that the Council needed to act on this, noting that this was for training services. He asked that the Council adopt this resolution but amend the towing portion out of it.

President Russell asked Councilman Showers if he would please withdraw his motion.

Councilman Showers withdrew the above motion to postpone; Councilman Culver withdrew his second of the motion.

President Russell moved to amend Resolution No. 14-851 by removing the award of the towing services, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers.

President Russell called for the vote on the motion to amend, and it was unanimously approved.

President Russell called for the vote on Resolution No. 14-851, as amended, and it was unanimously adopted.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was New Business Items for Consideration or Action.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Cost Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Huntsville and the Northeast Alabama Traffic Safety Office, in the amount of \$157,625, for traffic enforcement duties, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-874)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by

Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell moved for approval of a request for authorization to advertise and fill one (1) Regular Full-Time Recreation Aide position, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously approved.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a License Agreement between the City of Huntsville and the Museum Board of the City of Huntsville, as follows:

## (RESOLUTION NO. 14-875)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell moved for approval of a request to advertise and fill one (1) Landscape Maintenance Worker position, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously approved.

President Russell read and introduced an ordinance declaring certain equipment as surplus and to be sold at public auction, as follows:

#### (ORDINANCE NO. 14-876)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing ordinance, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer to invoke BancorpSouth Bank

Letter of Credit No. 362000832393 for Coventry Phase 2 at McMullen Cove Subdivision, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-877)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer to invoke BancorpSouth Bank Letter of Credit No. 367000581608 for Little Mountain Subdivision, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-878)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell moved for approval of a request for authorization to advertise and fill one (1) Attorney III position, at higher than minimum if necessary, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously approved.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the acceptance of donations, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-879)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced an ordinance to

amend Budget Ordinance No. 14-665, by changing the authorized personnel strength in various departments and funds, as follows:

#### (ORDINANCE NO. 14-880)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing ordinance, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced an ordinance to amend Budget Ordinance No. 14-665 by changing the appropriated funding for various departments and funds, as follows:

(ORDINANCE NO. 14-881)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing ordinance, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the low bidders meeting specifications as outlined in the attached Summary of Bids for Acceptance, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-882)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Huntsville, dba the Huntsville-Madison County Emergency Management Agency, and the Alabama Department of Public Health,

as follows:

# (RESOLUTION NO. 14-883)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Huntsville, dba the Huntsville-Madison County Emergency Management Agency, and the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (4LEL), as follows:

#### (RESOLUTION NO. 14-884)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Huntsville, dba the Huntsville-Madison County Emergency Management Agency, and the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (4FIL), as follows:

#### (RESOLUTION NO. 14-885)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract between the City of Huntsville and Habitat for Humanity of Madison County for

the use of \$89,378 in CHDO HOME Funds, for the construction of a new home, as follows:

## (RESOLUTION NO. 14-886)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Huntsville and the Care Assurance System Aged and Homebound (CASA), Inc., for weatherization and the installation of grab bars, as follows:

#### (RESOLUTION NO. 14-887)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell moved for approval of a request for authorization to advertise and fill one (1) Benefits Technician Position, at higher than minimum if necessary, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously approved.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute Modification No. 1 to the Lease Agreement between DCSC, LLC, and the City of Huntsville, Alabama, for Lease of the property located at 2227 Drake Avenue, Suite 27, Huntsville, Alabama 35805, as approved by Resolution No. 14-210 on March 13, 2014, as follows:

## (RESOLUTION NO. 14-888)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Huntsville and Stanard & Associates, Inc., to develop and administer the written examination for the position of Fire Captain, as follows:

## (RESOLUTION NO. 14-889)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Culver.

President Russell asked Chief Howard McFarlen for an explanation of the above resolution.

Chief McFarlen stated that this was a routine exam that Fire & Rescue had been giving for several years. He stated that they had exhausted everyone that was on the roster for the previous exam, and they needed to promote some personnel to captain. He stated that this was the same exam they had been giving, that they just had to have a contract to re-administer the test.

President Russell asked if the Council members had any questions concerning this matter.

Councilman Showers asked if this exam was given annually. Chief McFarlen stated that it would not necessarily be

given annually. He stated that they had promoted some persons to captain and did not have anyone left they could promote, and they had some openings that would be coming up, so they were trying to be ready for these openings.

Councilman Showers inquired as to how many openings there were.

Chief McFarlen stated that at this time he did not have any openings, but that they were projecting some because of persons who would be retiring after the first of the year. He stated that he did not have a definite number on that at this time.

President Russell inquired as to whether there was any further discussion of this matter.

There was no response.

President Russell called for the vote on Resolution No. 14-889, and it was unanimously adopted.

Councilman Showers read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Huntsville and the low bidder, Hardiman Remediation Services, Inc., for Asbestos Abatement at the former Holiday Inn Site, Project No. 65-15-SP01, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-890)

Councilman Showers moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Kling.

President Russell asked Ms. Kathy Martin, Director of Engineering, for an explanation of the above resolution.

Ms. Martin stated that this was to award to the low bidder, Hardiman Remediation Services, the contract for the removal and proper disposal of asbestos materials in the former Holiday Inn site. She stated that the contract value was \$227,250. She stated that there was a 60-calendar day time frame for the work to be completed.

President Russell inquired as to why the City of Huntsville was doing this rather than the developer.

Ms. Martin stated that this was part of the development package the City was providing to the developer.

President Russell asked if there was any further discussion of this matter.

Councilman Showers asked Ms. Martin if it had been determined who would be utilizing this space.

Mr. Shane Davis asked Councilman Showers if he was asking for the identification of the developer or the tenants that would be on site.

Councilman Showers stated that he was inquiring concerning the tenants.

Mr. Davis stated that that would be forthcoming, that they would be bringing to the Council before the end of the year the development agreement for the Holiday Inn site for its consideration. He continued that, hopefully, at such time there would be some tenants the developer would be willing to announce, noting they were working on that at this time.

Councilman Showers asked Mr. Davis if he could comment on

the future of the Aquatic Center and the Scruggs Center as it related to this particular project.

Mr. Davis stated that he would let Mr. Hamilton comment on that, noting that he had a plan for that that he and the Parks and Recreation Department would be following through with.

Mr. Hamilton stated that the therapeutic pool that was presently at the Williams Aquatic Center would be replaced, noting that the Capital Plan the Council had recently approved included the funds required to build such a pool. He stated that they had begun meeting with user groups to identify the population needs for this, noting that he had personally met with three of the groups the prior Wednesday, to commence discussing with them what their vision would be concerning this for the future, and how that fit with the current plans for replacement of the therapeutic pool. He stated that the design process would commence within the next few months, and that construction was funded for FY'16 in the Capital Plan.

Mr. Hamilton stated that the site where these facilities were located would be included as an option in the development of the Holiday Inn site, that this was not in the initial development of the Holiday Inn site but it was an option for the developer. He continued that before this could occur, the City would have appropriately replaced these facilities.

Councilman Showers asked if this also included the Scruggs Center.

Mr. Hamilton replied in the affirmative.

Councilman Showers asked if at this time there were any prospective locations for these sites.

Mr. Hamilton stated that the pool would be co-located with the current Natatorium on Drake, across from the Senior Center. He stated that this would essentially become an aquatic campus, with multiple pools, that in addition to the competition pools, there would also be the therapeutic pool, as a separate but connected facility. He continued that the therapeutic pool would predominantly support elderly and handicapped members of the community, that it would be a separate space and a pool designed specifically for their needs but co-located with the other pools in order to allow more efficient management of the overall aquatic program.

Mr. Hamilton stated, concerning the Scruggs Center, that it did not at this time have any of the recreational leagues assigned to it. He stated that he, Mr. Patterson, and Mr. Ivey were at this time working through where they would pick up the additional capacity to meet the needs of the youth sports, which he noted were the predominant users of the Scruggs Center. He stated that although it was limited, there was still some use of this facility, and they were aware they had to meet this need. He stated that there were some potential opportunities for this, that they just needed to work through it and present it to the Council.

Councilman Showers asked that the site of the abandoned, dilapidated Councill High School site be considered as one of

the possible sites for the Scruggs Center. He stated that the City had in its Capital Plan some money for that particular site, and that he believed it would be an ideal site for the Scruggs Center, if it could be prepared for this. He stated that perhaps he needed to be talking to Mr. Davis concerning this. He stated that he would certainly hope that as they looked at sites, they would consider this, noting that it would be a great opportunity to address the concerns they had with the old Councill High School by putting the Scruggs Center on that site if possible.

Mr. Davis stated to Councilman Showers that he and Mr. Hamilton would look into that and report back to him concerning it.

Mr. Hamilton stated that the prior weekend he had had a discussion about some of the potentials for the Councill High School site, and that he had had the task of setting up a meeting with Mr. Lundy of the Huntsville Housing Association and the president of Councill High Alumni Association, and that they were working toward finding a time they could all get together and discuss some of their ideas for this site, as well.

President Russell asked if there was any further discussion concerning this matter.

There was no response.

President Russell called for the vote on Resolution No. 14-890, and it was unanimously adopted.

Councilman Showers read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Huntsville and the low bidder, Wiregrass Construction Company, Inc., for Downtown Gateway (Harvard Road Extension)-REBID, Option No. 2, Option No. 3, Option No. 4, Option No. 5, Option No. 7, Option No. 8, and Option No. 9, Project No. 65-11-RD03, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-891)

Councilman Showers moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Culver.

President Russell asked Ms. Martin for an explanation of the above resolution.

Ms. Martin stated that the Council had previously awarded the base bid on this project, which she noted included the demolition of the buildings on site, some grading, and utility relocations. She continued that they had bid this project with multiple options, based on the funding that was allocated in FY'14. She stated that at this time they were asking the Council to move forward with awarding the actual roadway construction, streetscape, and sidewalks, as well as the connection with Davis Circle that was originally bid.

Councilman Showers asked Ms. Martin if she could provide the Council a visual sketch of exactly where this was located.

Ms. Martin stated that she could email a visual sketch. She continued that this started on Governors Drive where

Harvard intersected Governors, and that it would be a four-lane, divided way, with sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides of the road. She stated that it extended across the ditch that was there at this time, Fagan Creek, and merged with Lowe Avenue and tied into Williams Avenue, adjacent to the Holiday Inn site.

Councilman Showers asked that Ms. Martin provide the Council copies of this sketch, showing the location.

Ms. Martin stated that she would do so.

Councilman Kling stated that he understood where the location of this was, noting that, generally, it was to the east of First Baptist Church by approximately 200 feet. He asked Ms. Martin if she had a ball park estimate as to when the road would be opened or when the entire project would be completed, including all the options.

Ms. Martin stated that they were anticipating early 2016.

President Russell asked if there was any further discussion concerning this matter.

There was no response.

President Russell called for the vote on Resolution No. 14-891, and it was unanimously adopted.

President Russell read and introduced a resolution authorizing the City Council to amend the contract between the City of Huntsville and Reed Contracting Services, Inc., for Martin Road on Redstone Arsenal, Base Bid, and Option No. 1, Option No. 2, and Option No. 3, Project No. 65-10-RD09, by

Change Order No. 3, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-892)

President Russell moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Kling.

President Russell asked Ms. Martin for an explanation of the above resolution.

Ms. Martin stated that this was a change order with Reed Contracting Services for Martin Road on Redstone Arsenal, due to overruns in the bid quantities for the aggregate base course, as well as utility conflicts that were encountered during construction.

President Russell inquired as to the amount of the cost overrun and asked for an explanation as to exactly why there was this overrun.

Ms. Martin stated that the majority of the overrun was associated with the dense graded base quantity. She continued that this was a misinterpretation in the bids, that it had called for a 10-inch thickness of the base, and the bidders and the documents specified only a five-inch thick base course, so that, basically, the quantity had to be doubled. She stated that the entire change order amount was \$424,898.20.

President Russell asked if there was any further discussion concerning this resolution.

There was no response.

President Russell called for the vote on Resolution No. 14-892, and it was unanimously adopted.

President Russell moved for approval of a request for authorization to advertise and fill one (1) Planner II position, at higher than minimum if necessary, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers.

President Russell called for a roll-call vote on the above request, and the following vote resulted:

AYES: Showers, Robinson, Culver, Russell

ABSTAIN: Kling

NAYS: None

Councilman Showers read and introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement between the City of Huntsville and the State of Alabama regarding the Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program (ATRIP) Project, as follows:

(RESOLUTION NO. 14-893)

Councilman Showers moved for approval of the foregoing resolution, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Kling.

President Russell asked Mr. Davis for an explanation of the above resolution.

Mr. Davis stated that this was a contract with ALDOT for match money for the Zierdt Road ATRIP project. He stated that the project was ready for bid by the Alabama Department of Transportation. He stated that this was for the northbound lane only, and that the City's matching amount was \$1,314,550. He stated that with the Council's approval of this resolution at this time, ALDOT would hopefully let this project in the

current month of November.

President Russell inquired of Mr. Davis as to why the City was responsible for 100 percent of the cost overruns if there were any.

Mr. Davis stated that this was the manner in which the ATRIP program was set up throughout the state, that the estimates were submitted, and it was an 80/20 match, and that any overruns would be the responsibility of the City. He stated that they had a limited amount of money to disburse statewide, so that anyone who received ATRIP funds had this same agreement.

President Russell inquired of Mr. Davis if he was pretty certain that the numbers were right.

Mr. Davis replied in the affirmative.

President Russell asked if there was any further discussion on this matter.

Councilman Showers asked if Madison was included in this particular fund.

Mr. Davis stated that for the intersections at Madison Boulevard and I-565 and Martin Road, plus the southbound lanes that had the greenway, and the other half of the Zierdt Road project, that Madison had 5 percent of the 20 percent match that was required on that project.

Councilman Showers asked if there were other projects in addition to this project that the State had funded out of these funds.

Mr. Davis replied in the affirmative, stating that they had a couple of other ATRIP projects, the bridge downtown, and that Martin Road had a small section of ATRIP funding that would be coming before the Council sometime in 2015.

Councilman Showers inquired as to what other projects Madison would enjoy from these funds.

Mr. Davis inquired if Councilman Showers was referring to their ATRIP projects.

Councilman Showers replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Davis stated that he had a list concerning this, but he could not recall them off the top of his head at this time. He stated that he was aware they had County Line Road, a section of U.S. 72, and a Kellner Road project. He stated that he had the entire ATRIP list for Madison County that he could email Councilman Showers.

Councilman Showers thanked Mr. Davis.

President Russell asked if there was any further discussion of this matter.

There was no response.

President Russell called for the vote on Resolution No. 14-893, and it was unanimously adopted.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Legal Department Items/Transactions.

 ${\tt Ms.}$  Cates submitted the following deed for approval:

(DEED)

Whereupon, President Russell moved for approval of the

foregoing deed, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers, and was unanimously approved.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was Non-Roster Communications from the Public.

Pastor T.C. Johnson again appeared before the Council, stating that he had previously asked this question but wanted to ask it again. He stated that he was asking under Articles 13, 14, and 15, respectively, dealing with Gas and Water. He continued that he had asked the Board for information, under the Freedom of Information Act, but had not heard a thing from it. He asked if his next step was the City Council and the Mayor or if he had to seek help from the Attorney General on the information he was requesting.

Pastor Johnson stated that he had laid out a case to the Council that he, as a citizen, believed was unfair. He stated that he did not know how they were going to discuss this, publicly or otherwise, but that he could send them a whole list of things he had come to understand and had shared with the Board.

Pastor Johnson stated that he would like to read what was said, on all three of the Boards, about the power of the Board. He read as follows: "The Board shall have complete control of the municipal gas, water --" and the other one -- "system in the municipality and shall have authority to employ, upon terms to be fixed by the Board, but in no event for a term exceeding one year, and to discharge -- " he stated this meant that

Mr. Stowe's job was voted on every year -- "with or without cause, managers, cashiers, clerks, stenographers, attorneys --" and on and on and on. He stated that the Board was an important and powerful board, that it ran the Utility for the citizens.

Pastor Johnson stated that his question was that if he could not get information under the Freedom of Information Act from them, and they continued to stall, noting that that was what this was about, if he would seek it through the Council and the Mayor or through the Attorney General. He stated that he would like to have this question answered if possible.

President Russell stated that he could not answer that at this time. He stated that Pastor Johnson would be welcome to submit them the question as to what information he wanted, and they would be glad to talk to the Utility company and determine why they had not provided it or if they could provide it.

Pastor Johnson asked President Russell if he would do this.

President Russell stated that he would be glad to do so.

Pastor Johnson thanked President Russell.

Councilman Showers asked Ms. Cates if she could answer Pastor Johnson's question.

Ms. Cates stated that, offhand, they were a separate legal entity, and their information was not in the possession of the Council members. She continued that she did not know that the Council members could actually demand that they turn over their

information on their employees, and the information that was being sought. She stated that she had not spoken with their attorney so she did not know the status of the request under the Alabama Public Records Act. She stated that they could certainly inquire, but she believed that was about all they could do.

President Russell asked if there was anyone else in the audience who would like to address the Council.

Mr. James Butler, 7205 Whitesburg Drive, appeared before the Council, stating that his son had practiced law in Huntsville for 5 years, back in the '90s. He stated that something had happened, and he had lost his law license, and he had gone to work at his mother's bail bond company. He continued that his son was not a part of this company.

Mr. Butler stated that there had been a week-long trial in 2009, and that he had been kept locked in the jail throughout the trial so that he could not influence the jury, or anything such as that.

Mr. Butler stated that he had printed up a document for the Council's information. He stated that this was not part of a lawsuit or anything like that, that it was just for the Council members' information. He stated that he wanted to leave a copy of this with each member of the Council. He stated that they had done municipal bonds as well as state bonds. He stated that the Council members would notice that what was at issue was contained on sheet 3, and that it was the

conversion of a percentage to a decimal. He continued that this was what the trial was about, that it was the big issue. He stated that if one converted 3.5 percent to a decimal, one would get a three-place decimal, .035. He stated that that was read as 35 thousandths, that .035 was 35 thousandths.

Mr. Butler stated that he would leave his handout with the Council members, noting that he was aware he would not be able to say anything in three minutes. He stated that that was okay, that he just wanted to leave this, and that he would come back to the Council meeting on November 20, when the Council members would have had a chance to have seen the handout. He stated that it would not be on the same subject, his son and himself, but that it would be about other problems that the community was aware of but nothing was being done about them.

## (SUBMISSION BY MR. BUTLER)

President Russell recognized Councilman Culver.

Councilman Culver stated to Mr. Butler that every time he saw him, his heart bled for him. He stated that, as Mr. Butler was aware, he had worked very closely with his late son, his late daughter, and his late wife. He stated that, in his opinion, Mr. Butler's family had been impeccable. He stated that he just wanted him to know that he shared his losses.

Mr. Butler stated to Councilman Culver that when he read what he had presented, he would be astounded.

President Russell asked if there was anyone else who would like to address the Council at this time.

There was no response.

President Russell stated that they would move on to the next items on the agenda.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was that a member of the Council shall be elected by the Council to serve as its representative to the City of Huntsville Planning Commission, with the same member serving as the Council's representative to the Metropolitan Planning Commission.

Councilman Kling nominated Councilwoman Robinson to serve as the Council's representative to the City of Huntsville Planning Commission, and as the Council's representative to the Metropolitan Planning Commission.

President Russell asked if there were any further nominations for this position.

There was no response.

President Russell moved that nominations be closed, which motion was seconded by Councilman Kling and was unanimously approved.

President Russell called for the vote on the nomination of Councilwoman Robinson as the Council's representative to the City of Huntsville Planning Commission, and as the Council's representative to the Metropolitan Planning Commission, and it was unanimously approved.

President Russell stated that Councilwoman Robinson would serve as the Council's representative to the City of Huntsville

Planning Commission, and as the Council's representative to the Metropolitan Planning Commission.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was that a member of the Council shall be elected by the Council to serve as its representative to the Research Park Board.

Councilman Kling nominated Councilman Culver to serve as the Council's representative to the Research Park Board.

President Russell asked if there were any further nominations.

There was no response.

President Russell moved to close nominations, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously approved.

President Russell called for the vote on the nomination of Councilman Culver as the Council's representative to the Research Park Board, and it was unanimously approved.

President Russell stated that Councilman Culver would serve as the Council's representative to the Research Park Board.

President Russell stated that the next item on the agenda was that a member of the Council shall be elected by the Council to serve as its representative to the Huntsville Historic Preservation Commission.

Councilman Showers nominated President Russell to serve as the Council's representative to the Huntsville Historic

Preservation Commission.

Councilman Kling moved that nominations be closed, which motion was duly seconded by Councilman Showers and was unanimously approved.

President Russell called for the vote on the nomination of President Russell as the Council's representative to the Huntsville Historic Preservation Commission, and it was unanimously approved.

President Russell stated that he would serve as the Council's representative to the Huntsville Historic Preservation Commission.

President Russell announced the following appointments:

Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments:

Councilman Showers and Councilman Kling.

Community Action Agency of Huntsville/Madison and Limestone Counties, Inc.:

Councilman Culver.

Huntsville/Madison County Clean Community Systems:

Councilwoman Robinson.

The Advisory Commission on Accessibility:

President Russell appointed Frank Heffel.

The City of Huntsville Insurance Committee:

Councilman Showers and Councilman Kling.

Chairperson of the Finance Committee:

Councilman Showers

vice chairperson of the rinance committee:
Councilman Kling
President Russell asked if there was any further business
to come before the Council.
There was no response.
Upon motion, duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned.
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL
ATTEST:
CITY CLERK-TREASURER